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Applicants: Germino et al. Art Unit: 1634  
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Commissioner for Patents  
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

Responsive to the Office Action mailed January 29, 2004, entry of the amendment and reconsideration of the application in view of the amendments and following remarks are respectfully requested.

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8**

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service with sufficient postage as first class mail on this date, May 28, 2004, in an envelope addressed to: Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

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